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RESPONSE

James W. Moorman
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Dear Mr. Moorman:

I am writing in response to your letter of July 23, 1996, requesting an extension of the public comment period for the Sauget Area 1 site in Sauget, Illinois. This site was proposed to the National Priorities List (NPL) on June 17, 1996. In your letter, you identified significant errors in the copy of the Sauget Area 1 documentation record that you received from EPA's Region 5 office. These errors include numerous defective, illegible and missing pages. Because of the time it will take to obtain a more complete copy of the documentation record, we will grant a 30-day extension of the comment period for the site. EPA will evaluate all comments that are received on or before September 16, 1996. If you would like to submit any comments, please do so within this time frame. Please send one original and three copies of comments to the following address:

Docket Coordinator, Headquarters
U.S. EPA CERCLA Docket Office, Mail Code 5201G
401 M Street, SW
Washington, DC 20460

All comments will be addressed, and their impacts on the score calculated, before a final decision is reached on whether Sauget Area 1 should be placed on the NPL. EPA's responses to all comments regarding the Sauget Area 1 site will be provided in a "Support Document" which will be available to the public at the time a final decision is made. I hope this addresses your concerns.

Sincerely,

David Evans, Director
State & Site Identification Center

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